

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: Public Health  
TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
PLACE: E2.010  
CHAIR: Rep. Stephanie Klick

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The committee will meet to take invited and public testimony on the following interim charges:

- Examine existing resources and available opportunities to strengthen the state's nursing and other health professional workforce, including rural physicians and nurses.
- Assess ongoing challenges in the rural health care system and the impact of legislation and funding from the 87th regular and special sessions on strengthening rural health care and the sustainability of rural hospitals and health care providers. Evaluate federal regulations authorizing the creation of a Rural Emergency Hospital provider type and determine if promoting this type of facility could increase local access to care in rural areas of the state.

Public comment will be available for:

Resources to strengthen Texas' health care workforce.  
Rural health care challenges.

For those persons who will be testifying, information for in-person witness registration, can be found here:

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